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Subject: Presidential Message for Memorial Ceremony  
in Honor of Ambassador Adolph Dubs to be  
Held September 14 at the Eden United Church  
of Christ, Chicago

We are forwarding herewith the draft letter  
for the President's signature which you requested.

*(Handwritten signature)*

Peter Tarnoff  
Executive Secretary

Attachment:

Draft letter for President's signature

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Dear Pastor Collier:

I was very gratified to hear of the ceremony honoring Ambassador Adolph Dubs which the congregation of Eden United Church of Christ will hold this Sunday, September 14.

Ambassador Dubs devoted his entire adult life to the service of his country, and he died tragically in that service when he was assassinated in Kabul, Afghanistan. My confidence in Spike Dubs' dedication and leadership was fully vindicated by the exemplary manner in which he represented the United States as our Ambassador to Afghanistan. An outstanding specialist in Soviet affairs, he rapidly learned to understand and to love the country in which he spent the last months of his distinguished career.

Spike Dubs' patriotism and love of country were always with him. Nor did he ever lose the religious faith which his parents had instilled in him as a child. It is therefore particularly fitting that you honor his memory with

The Reverend Robert Gordon Collier,  
Pastor,  
Eden United Church of Christ,  
5051 West Gunnison Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

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a flagpole on the grounds of the family's church. Rosalynn and I send you our best wishes and join with you in honoring the memory of an American of whom we are all -- family, church, and country -- very proud.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Carter

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